

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

George Eng

Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 12/9/2004.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-13.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 15 June 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


GEORGE ENG
PRIMARY EXAMINER

EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. Claims 1-13 are allowed.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Applicant's invention is drawn to a network infrastructure integrated system which is able to integrate a telephone line network and a power line network as a single network using a simple circuit so that the telephone line network and the power line network can be integrated without using a router of high cost, whereby the interchangeability is enhanced and the accessibility is able to be increased because both the telephone lines and the power lines can be used (i.e., a network bridge connected between the telephone line network and the power line network for enabling home information machines to share respective applications and data with each other, which the network bridge comprises protection circuitry for protecting internal circuitry thereof and removing unwanted electric components of data signal flowing between the telephone line network and the power line network and matching circuitry for matching the data signal to an impedance value of the PNA modem between the telephone line network and the power line network).

Applicant's independent claim 1 recites, *inter alia*, a network infrastructure integrated system with a structure as defined in the specification (pages 8-16) including a power line network to which a second plurality of home information machines are respectively each connected via a PNA modem having a coupler, and a network bridge connected between the telephone line network and the power line network for enabling the first and second pluralities of

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home information machines to communicate data signals with each other between the telephone line network and the power line network, wherein the network bridge includes an input protection means for protecting internal circuitry thereof and removing unwanted electric components of the data signal flowing between the telephone line network and the power line network, and matching means connected to the input means for matching the data signal to an impedance value of the PNA modem between the telephone line network and the power line network. Applicant's claim 1 comprises a particular combination of elements, which is neither taught nor suggested by the prior art.

Accordingly, Applicant's claims are allowed for these reasons and for the reasons recited by Applicant in Amendments filed 11/17/2003 and 7/12/2004.


Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to George Eng whose telephone number is 703-308-9555. The examiner can normally be reached on Tue-Fri 7:30 AM-6:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Curtis A. Kuntz can be reached on 703-305-4708. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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